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27 July 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Bissell (part of meeting), Colonel White,
Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms (part of meeting), Mr. Barnes,
Mr. Sheldon, [REDACTED]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Noted he had received a telephone call from Najeeb Halaby, Administrator of the F. A. A., who stated he is making a report on the hijacking of the Eastern Airlines plane by the Cubans, and asked if C. I. A. could make a contribution. Mr. Dulles said he advised Mr. Halaby that this matter was more in the F. B. I. field than in ours, however we would, of course, furnish him any information obtained. It was pointed out that Castro, in his 26 July speech, had indicated that he would be willing to release the hijacked plane provided the U. S. Government agrees to release any future Cuban planes that might land in the U. S. [REDACTED]

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Director noted his intension of calling Mr. Halaby about these two items and making copies available to him (done). At the Director's request, Mr. Barnes will undertake to get in touch with Mr. Halaby and lay on arrangements to provide him with any information received on this subject. It was suggested that in order to be of as much assistance as possible, selected stations should be alerted to report any and all information obtained on this problem. The Director asked Mr. Bissell to raise this at the Latin American Chiefs of Station Conference now [REDACTED]

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b. Noted a cable from Chief of Station, [REDACTED] regarding a request from the Ambassador that he be advised of all C. I. A. operations, and asked Mr. Helms to take this matter up during his discussions with Ambassador Bohlen at State.

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Mr. Helms noted that the question of a recorder for the discussions he is now having with Ambassador Bohlen regarding C. I. A. operations had been raised and, after some discussion, it was agreed it would be preferable if the individual selected were from the clerical level. The Director stated that he hoped that during the Bohlen/Helms discussions details of operations could be avoided while other people are present. He said that there was, of course, no objection to giving Ambassador Bohlen any and all details required. Mr. Helms commented

that he had been attempting to do just that; however, there were times when, due to the questions asked by the Ambassador, he necessarily had to go into details.

c. Noted a cable indicating that the Soviets are possibly establishing a submarine base in the Moluccas Islands and asked that this information be checked with the Navy. ACTION: DD/P and DD/I

d. Referred to National Security Action Memorandum #63, Subject: Policy Guidance in Pre-emption of U. S. Government Controlled Broadcasting, and noted that this guidance would be relayed from State through U.S.I.A. . Mr. Helms commented that there is a meeting on this in the Department at 4:00 p.m. this afternoon.

e. Referred to the recommendations from the President's Board asking for C.I.A. views and comments on the advisability of moving the Clandestine Services to the new building, and noted that copies of this recommendation had been made available to Gen. Cabell and the deputies. ACTION: DD/S in coordination with DD/P.

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MR. KIRKPATRICK:

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Mr. Kirkpatrick also noted he is looking into who is responsible for allowing this book to get along as far as it has.

MR. SHELDON:

a. Referred to Recommendation No. 5 of the President's Board regarding signal intelligence and noted that C. I. A. had not been asked to comment on the paragraph relating to N. S. A. Mr. Kirkpatrick undertook to find out from Pat Coyne the cause of this omission and advise him that the Director feels we should comment on this recommendation.

In this connection, Mr. Sheldon also noted that the defense intelligence agency is still fighting over who controls N. S. A. - - OSD or the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and that this problem too has a bearing on certain of the Director's assigned responsibilities. He says as it now stands C. I. A. (OCI) will no longer have a right to prepare military items of a current intelligence nature and that such items are to be furnished by the DIA for inclusion in any C. I. A. publication.

b. Noted he had run into "a buzz saw" over recent [REDACTED] reports that had been submitted to the President twice. The Director noted he had sent copies of these reports to Gen. Clifton for the President.

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MR KENT:

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b. Asked if the Director desired a memorandum prepared for the President to use in his discussions with the Chinats. The Director stated this is a responsibility of the Department of State, however we should certainly offer to be of any assistance to the Department. ACTION: Dr. Kent.

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Noted that Recommendation No. 11 of the President's Board calls for a report of implementation on the recommendations of the Study Group and C. I. A. had been asked to report on only four of these recommendations. He said it was his opinion that the Agency was involved in one way or another in all 24 of the recommendations of the Study Group and he proposed that the DCI, as the Intelligence Coordinator, report on all. The Director concurred.

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